

# Coordination, Livability, and Region 1: Another Milestone for New Hampshire

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# Overview

- Drilling down from the federal strategic plan
- The word around the region
  - Regional overview
  - Examples from the commonwealth and other states
- Where New Hampshire leads
- Challenges, opportunities, and preparedness for uncertainty

# Coordination Elements in the USDOT Strategic Plan

- Federal Interagency Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility supports:
  - Local coordinating councils,
  - One-call services
  - ITS to assist human service transportation via transportation management centers
  - Technical assistance and training
- Efforts linked to the livability initiative.



# The Word and Work Around the Region

- Therese McMillan, FTA Deputy Administrator,  
“...transit plays a vital role in enhancing  
community livability and environmental and  
energy sustainability...I am keenly aware that  
it resonates with all corners of America—  
urban, suburban and rural. ”
  - 3rd Biennial Power of Place Summit, May, Rhode  
Island
  - 19th National Conference on Rural Public and  
Intercity Bus Transportation, October, Vermont

# Around the Region (cont'd)




- Coastal Trans, Inc., Rockland, ME
  - Subsidiary of Methodist Conference Home, Inc.
    - Designated regional transportation provider
    - MaineCare transportation provider
  - Mobility management
  - Operate the Brunswick Explorer
    - public-private partnership
    - hybrid electric bus line serving Bowdoin College and the Brunswick community.

# Around the Region (cont'd)

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Talent has no boundaries:



Workforce diversity includes people with disabilities



When in greeting  
you touch my hand  
What knuckled  
shuttlers open?  
What fear  
do you unlearn?

Art and poetry created by Laura Pashley, who has spinal muscular atrophy

**NDEAM2010**  
National Disability Employment Awareness Month  
[www.dol.gov/odeap](http://www.dol.gov/odeap)



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## Around the Region (cont'd)

- Massachusetts Institution for Transportation Coordination, 2009
  - Six region and three municipal teams
    - Transit authorities, planning agencies, workforce investment boards, private transportation providers, disability service providers, persons with disabilities...
  - Identify most acute transportation and create a 90-day and 12-month action
  - Five teams awarded \$20k grants to aid in implementation

# New Hampshire's Leadership

- Towards Coordination 3.0
- Kudos to the SCC
  - Exist in statute
  - Inclusive representation, e.g., government, education, advocacy groups, and providers
  - Strong health and human service participation





# More from Around the State

- NHDOT
  - Public transportation and transportation demand management (TDM) link
- Link between the MPOs/RPCs and NHDOT
  - Creating forums for effective public involvement
  - Regional mobility managers
    - New Hampshire Rideshare
- Increasing seamlessness between providers, purchasers of service, and planners

# More from Around the State



- Program for Alternative Transportation and Health (PATH), CNHRPC
  - Incentive programs for commute who use SOV alternatives
  - Ridematching services and ridesharing information
  - Employer program to help promote a healthy workplace
  - Fossil Free Fridays, May - November

# More...



- North Country Public Transportation Pilot Project
  - FTA Public Transportation Participation Pilot Program: Innovative approaches to improving public participation in the planning of public transportation
  - Agency and Public Education Programs
    - Used the UWR Framework for Action
    - Help bolster coordination activities
    - Contributed to the Carroll County Transit Project

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## ...More

- Monadnock Region Transportation Management Association: SWRPC and WRPC
  - Hannah Nowicki volunteers time and wheel-chair accessible van to provide rides
  - Keene Green Bike Program, check out a bike with a college or public library card
  - CVTC Supper Shuttle, Hancock, Bennington, Antrim, and Frankestown

# Challenges & Opportunities

- Challenges
  - The economy, aging population, and healthcare
  - Climate change and anthropogenic extreme events
- Opportunities
  - History of coordination
  - Challenges will provide new partners
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# Thank You!

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